

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An apparatus and method for displaying an on-screen display (OSD) image in a compound video device which includes a first video device, such as a video cassette recorder (VCR), and a second video device, such as a digital versatile disc (DVD) player/recorder, integrally formed with each other. Data necessary for OSD image output are separately stored in one flash memory, and any one of the data separately stored in the flash memory is selectively read and used in a corresponding one of first and second video device operation modes. Therefore, the compound video device can be significantly simplified in construction. Further, new data for OSD image output can be updated/stored in the flash memory, or be simply replaced for existing ones.